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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 05225.0219-00

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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TETSURO KIMURA	)	Group Art Unit: 2186
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Application No.: 09/944,086	)	Examiner: BATAILLE, PIERRE MICHE
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Filed: September 4, 2001	)	
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING	)	Confirmation No.: 3779
APPARATUS AND METHOD	)	

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 5, 2004, the period for response to which extends through January 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are included in this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** are included in the attached replacement drawing sheets. The amendments are discussed in this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** follow the amendment sections of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include 12 sheets of drawings.